

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation**

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: Replace Dunes Beach Comfort Station

LOCATION: Half Moon Bay State Beach

COUNTY: San Mateo

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Construct new ADA-compliant comfort station, replacing existing non-historic restroom building at Half Moon Bay State Beach, Dunes Beach access. Project would demolish the existing restroom and replace it on the opposite side of the existing unpaved parking lot, an area less susceptible to erosion. The new 450-480 square foot building would house 5 accessible unisex toilets, and 6 new ADA parking spaces would be created in its immediate vicinity. Project would require capping and abandonment of water and sewer utilities at the site of the old comfort station, and site work for utility connections (including future electrical connection) for the new building and for drainage. A new ADA compliant pedestrian trail would be constructed to connect the new building with the existing coastal trail. Project will improve public safety and visitor access while supporting continued use and maintenance of the park unit.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 1,3 Section: 15301, 15303

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of the minor alteration of existing facilities, involving negligible expansion beyond current use, and new construction of a small structure where specialist review has identified no significant impact; included as "modifications of existing facilities for handicap access" and "new construction or conversion of small structures" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities, in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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